environemently non- degrading, and socially acceptable improvement of country's natural resources to attain a demand driven and balanced growth of agriculture.

(c) The Policy is in the final stage of drafting.

Development of Animal Husbandry and dairy industry in Assam

2310. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to formulate a scheme for the development of animal husbandry and dairy industry in Assam;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of fund allocated for the same during the Ninth plan; and

(d) the effective measures being taken or proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) to (d) The Government has been implementing various Centrally Sponsored Schemes/Central Sector Schemes in all States including Assam for development of animal husbandry and dairy industry. However, no specific proposal exclusively for Assam is under consideraiton of the Government.

Development of Model Fishermen Village

2311. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the scheme, "National Welfare of Fisheries-Development of Model Fishermen village", the budgeted amount for implementation of the Scheme in the States, the amount released to various States during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Government of Karnataka has requested the Government for releasing the Central share component under the above jointly sponsored scheme; and

(c) if so, the reason for delay in releasing the amount and the likely date by when the amount will be released?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUMUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) The Development of Model

Fishermen Villages component of the National Welfare of Fishermen Scheme provides for construction of houses, tubewells and community halls in fishermen villages. The cost of construction is shared equally between the Central Government and State Governments subject to a ceiling of Rs.35,000/- per house, Rs. 25,000/- per tube-well and Rs.1,25,000/- lakh per community hall. In case of Union Territory, the entire cost is met by the Central Government. Budgetary provisions of Rs. 400 lakh, Rs. 513.40 lakh and Rs. 875 lakh were provided for implementation of this component during 1996-97, 1997-98 and 1998-99 respectively. The year-wise and State-wise amount released under this component during the last three years is given in the enclosed Statement (*see* below).

(b) and (c) yes, Sir. The Government of Karnataka had submitted a proposal during 1999-2000 under this component involving release of Rs.300 lakh towards 50% Central share of assistance. An amount of Rs. 50 lakh has been released as first instalment of Central share against the above proposal of the State Government. Release of the balance amount would be based on receipt of utilisation certificate and physical and financial progress report from the State Governemnt.

Statement

Assistance Released under the Development of Model Fishermen Villages Component of the National Welfare of Fishermen Scheme During Each of the Last three years, State-wise

S. No.	Name of State/UT	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99
1.	Andhra Pradesh	78,00,000	1,02,20,000	—
2.	Assam	9,97,500	—	—
3.	Bihar	17,25,000	5,00,000	—
4.	Daman & Diu	40,00,000	—	—
5.	Gujarat	20,15,000	19,55,000	30,00,000
6.	J&K	—	15,00,000	—
7.	Karnataka	30,00,000	1,47,39,000	50,00,000
8.	Kerala	16,60,372	44,21,305	75,00,000
9.	Madhya Pradesh	3,75,000	—	—
10.	Manipur	—	—	14,85,000
11.	Maharashtra	—	23,42,500	—

S. No.	Name of State/UT	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99
12.	Orissa	NIL	NIL	10,00,000
13.	Pondicherry	27,39,806	26,85,194	30,00,000
14.	Tamil Nadu	14,87,500	40,00,000	70,65,500
15.	Tripura	17,35,000	10,72,500	7,15,000
16.	Uttar Pradesh	23,60,000	72,52,500	15,00,000
17.	West Bengal	26,25,000	36,00,000	—
	Total	3,25,20,178	5,42,87,999	3,02,65,500

Fishing Harbours at Orissa Coast

2312. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the fishing harbours damaged in orissa due to cyclone last year and the steps taken to repair them;

(b) whether the proposal to construct some fishing harbours in that State was under the consideration of the Government;

(c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the steps taken to construct those fishing harbours; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) As per the report received from the Government of Orissa, three fishing Harbours and 19 Fish Landing Centres have been damaged due to recent cyclone in Orissa. The Department of Fisheries has moved the State Government for provision of funds.

(b) to (d) No Sir, Does not arise.

Suitable price for crops

†2313. SHRIMATI SAROJ DUBEY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are going to make any specific arrangement to provide suitable price to the farmers for their crops;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.